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rugher, but that didn't matter; re bigoted—loyal unto the bird roya On the platter! At the club to-day, dining-and cautiously wi







gle-bee's! fo' de Lawd! en dey's wahmed-

THE giving of presents to friends is associated with the Christmas season. This is well. Tokens of affection bring loy to many a heart. We are so driver by pressing duties that we are apt to forget the "sweet amenities" of life. If it in your power, make some one glad by s Christmas present. It is likely that there will be enough sad days before Christmas comes again.—United Presby-

PATERPANILIAS-"Ah, itdoes my heart good to see your Christmas trees. When and cut my own trees. What do you tharge for trees?" Dealer (stiffy)—"We so not sell by the tree." "O! I remember. Height must be considered. Well, how much are they a foot?" "We do sot sell by the foot, sir. We sell by the meh."—Philadelphia Record.

"Isn't it lonely here, George? Did you me a pair of slippers that are several lege at Mexico. Cudete in a to

A NARROW ESCAPE.



recipe for plum pud-ding and sad med-lock says he has been in the busi-tations; for five s; for five ness for more than 20 years and wants a rest.

and a week ago they had had such good "I am not a tramp; see here," and the man swung gracefully by the limb of an article which appeared in the Statesman recently, which you will please publish.

"A circus man then," was the prompt answer. (Miss Merrit held circus men at the "bottom of the heap," as the say at the "bottom of the heap," as the saying is, and the young man's gymnastics did not impress her in his favor.) "Go away," she continued, "akip." He turned and walked away, a strange look on his face. He murmured something; perhaps "how blessed we mortals be."

Miss Morrit did not notice the look of strife and trouble on his pale face; the color and expression of his eyes so like the one dearer to her than all else.

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color and expression of his eyes so like the one dearer to her than all else.

But from Florence's sunny chamber a full view was commanded, and feeling sorry for the man she stole out with a piece of bread. Overtaking the man at the corner, she offered him the bread, saying: "Here, sir, please take this." He drew back, saying haughtily: "I am no' a beggar!" But, looking into the soft brown eyes, now so full of pity, he uttered a little cry and started back:

"At last, at last! Thank God!"

Florence was astounded.

the within.

When it comes to square-toed poker and faro exercise, we set United States Senator, George G. Vest, aside as the world's champion, the John L. Sullivan of the age. Not long ago he won a saloon in Jefferson City at faro, from a poor unfortunate fellow who had all his worldly surplus invested in whiskey and gambling devices.

After Vest had wen and taken possession of the saloon he and his

Florence was astounded.
Flossie's golden head was crowded



AN AWPUL LEAP. alling; she must not know; and with

her busy mind full of beggars turning persons may believe it. And now before we proceed further let us examine our characters. Miss Merrit, a maiden lady, the eldest daughter of Henry Merrit. When her father died, is \$1,800 a year; Mexico, \$2,200;

Horace Montgomery."

And so she wrote words cold and un-

It was a cold winter's day—the day before Christmas. But ah! how different from the usual festive days, for there had been no snow, although bleak winds had been blowing for a week. Suddenly some one said "fire." "Where?"

"At the Merrits." Alas! too true; in a minute the whole house was ablaze. The flame was creep-ing higher and higher. "Is every thing here? Yes, thank fort-

"Oh! heavens, where is she?"
The words went from lip to lip. Florence stood in the top-story window. "Who will venture to get her? Three thousand dollars reward." No one andescended, but all below was fiames. He sprang out of the way, took an awful eap into the apple-tree, and fell sense-ess to the ground. Saved! The restbut somehow they found that the tramp, Horace Montgomery, had fared hard, had been in that town and looked for work, seen his child and meant to claim ner, when he had had a violent attack of fever. I can tell you it was a happy Christmas, and also that Hannah Merrit

was very sorry she ever said "None for tramps."—Reinette Magan, in Chicago Saturday Evening Herald. "You going to hang up you ing?" asked the first. "Yep; are you?"

"Noap."
"What do you expect?"
"Nothing. Last year I expected a
twenty-five-dollar tool box and got nothing but a jack knife. This year I hain't
going to expect nothing and mebbe I'll
get a Texas pony."—Detroit Free Press. Little Viola wished a very large doll ast Christmas, but as it was quite ex-

"Nosp."
"A music box?"

pensive she was given a smaller one.

Playing contentedly with it on Christmas Day, she suddenly stopped and said: "Mamma, I know why I didn't get that big doll." "Why, darling?" asked mamma.
"'Cause our chimney's too little; Santa Claus couldn't bring the big one down. I wish he had known the way to

"You seem to have a strong attach-ment for that old overcoat," said Crab-ley, as they walked through the snow towards the restaurant where they were o take their Christmas dinner.

"Yes," replied Jack; "it grows dearer Only last month I had to pay eighteen here. Can not some of Mexico's per cent interest to get a chance to merchants make the gentlemen an Hardly Available

"I know I ought to be thankful to Miss Snyder," said Merritt, "but I "How's that?" asked Cobwigger

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> A Pure Invention. From the Versatiles Leader. Eds. Leader.—I hand you herewith a letter received by me from Senator Vest and also a short de-

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 19 .-

session of the saloon he and his Democratic friends and bummers filled up on forty rod tear paunch whiskey and had an old-fashioned Democratic jubilee. Vest then sold the saloon back to the parties from whom he had won it, after he and his triends had emptied the bottles and barrels of the fiery fluid upon which the hopes of Democra-cy are ever based. As a salcon keeper and knight of the cloth, Vest takes the lead.—J. F. Mounts in Versailles Statesma

The writer of the above is the hampion lisr even in this age of lies. No such occurrence ever took place. It is without the shadow of truth, and a pure invention. The Republican penny a liners who publish it, know it's a lie, but it serves their purpose as a malicious slander and some ignorant

and she-was yet in mourning, news came Joplin, \$1,350; Rolla, \$850; Pacific, and she-was yet in mourning, news came of her sister marrying a young man, poor, yet who loved her. She begged her sister's forgiveness, if not for her for their little child. Miss Merrit sent for their little child. Miss Merrit sent \$1,408; Poplar Bluff, \$1,300; Marrit sent \$1,408; Poplar Bluff, \$1,500; Poplar Blu shall, \$1,600; Fulton, \$2,050; Pierce "I am your sister, you should have asked me," she said; "a marriage of love, indeed; for such I have no honor.

Springfield the eighteen saloons And," she continued, "I shall never pay Greene county, which is a love or befriend the wife or child of "dry" county, \$750 each or \$13,500, pay Greene county, which is a and the city \$1,000 each or \$18,000, feeling. The picture painted of his side the State \$900. In Sedalia the wife and his little child with golden twenty-seven saloons are taxed\$15,hair did not prevail on her. But three years later, when they brought Helen's little girl to her, she took the little orphan and promised to love her. Who tae city \$8,000 or \$1,600 each and to the county \$3,000. In Moberly the city receives \$16,000 from the

A CALAMITY near at hand is certain to seem more serious than one remote in time or distance; hence, it is very natural that as any year draws to a close, one should be tempted to think it marked by more than the usual proportion of disasters. There seems this year, however, good reason for such a view. Johnstown's terrible accidant, worse than any other the worse than any other the swered. Oh, should the little girl only be an addition of fuel to the fiames?

No! Some one started forward. It was the "tramp." He climbed the ladder, now he held the child in his arms, he reapolis, and a succession of fately neapolis, and a succession of fatal ailroad wrecks, combine to make

a terrible record Encouraging Extravagance. John Forth, a Minnesota man, was digging a well, when it caved in on him. Two men offered to fill up the well for \$8, and the widow sat down and figured the funeral expenses at \$14. She told them to go shead, as it would save her \$6. and they were at work when her neighbors interfered and compelled her to go to the extravagance of exhuming the body.

How He Lost Them. Lady of the House-"How did you lose those two fingers from your left hand, my poor man?" Tramp-"They were cut off,

"I suppose that was when you were working, and that their loss disabled you from further manual labor. Tell n.e, was it in a mill?" "No, mum. It wuz in a hen coop. I had to cut 'em off or steal the trap .- New York Sun.

Billy Carter, of Mexico, the well known driver of "Dick Smith," informs us that he will go to St. Louis shortly with a string of horses and work them. Billy is sanguine over the future of "Dick." Fulton Sun.

R. W. Hastings, of Triplett, Mo., s said to want to come to Mexico and embark in the grocery business. The business is not overdone merchants make the gentleman an

Freshen Up Society. From the Kauses City Star There will be a military department connected with the Male Col-